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In the application of:

Sheridan, Thomas B.

Serial No.: 10/001,362

Filing Date: Oct. 23, 2001

For: HYBRID VEHICLE OPERATION
SIMULATOR

Examiner: Thai Q. Phan

Group Art Unit: 2128

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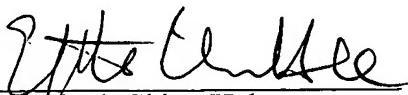
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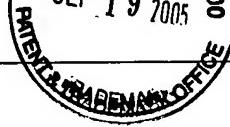

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Examiner Initials	Ref. No.	Date	Document No.	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate
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	2.	8/84	4,464,117	Foerst			
	3.	7/89	4,846,686	Adams			
	4.	8/89	4,856,771	Nelson et al.			
	5.	5/91	5,018,973	Alet et al.			
	6.	5/93	5,209,662	Fujita et al.			
	7.	1/94	5,277,584	DeGroat et al.			
	8.	11/94	5,368,484	Copperman et al.			
	9.	3/95	5,399,091	Mitsumoto			
	10.	4/97	5,618,179	Copperman et al.			
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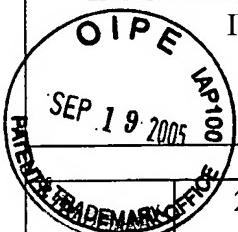
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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	0

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	=		50	25

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